

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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AMENDMENT

Seattle, Washington 98101

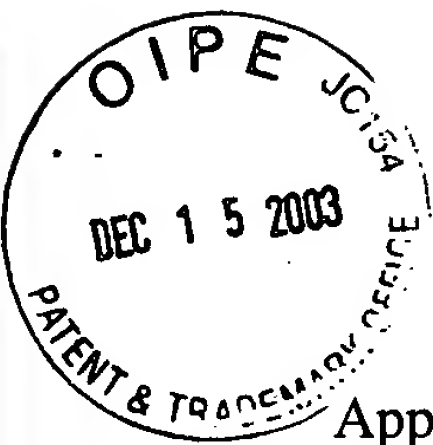
December 12, 2003

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated September 16, 2003, and subsequent telephone conference, applicants' attorney respectfully request that consideration be given to the amendment and remarks that follow.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

A. Amendment Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- X 1. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.
 2. The claim fee has been calculated as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Present Extra		Rate		Additional Fee
Total Claims	11	-	20	=	0	x	18	=	0
Independent Claims	1	-	3	=	0	x	86	=	0
TOTAL									\$0

B. Information Disclosure Statement

Enclosed is a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, and the accompanying fee of \$180.00

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C. Fees Enclosed

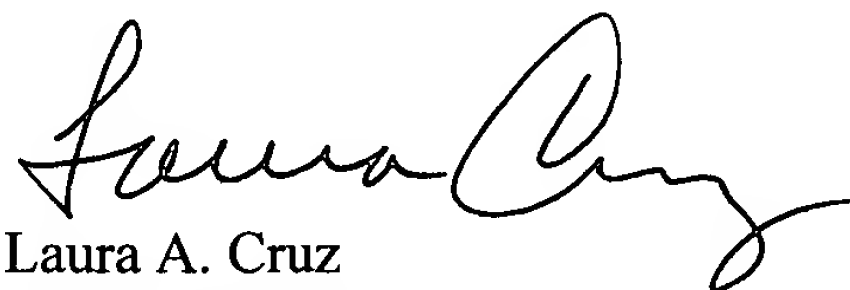
Enclosed is our Check No. 152550 in the amount of \$180 to cover the fee due for submitting the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

D. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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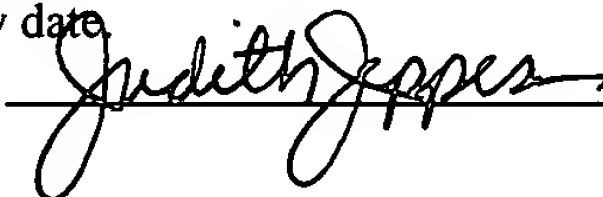


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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service in a sealed envelope as first class mail with postage thereon fully prepaid and addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the below date.

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